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NAVY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



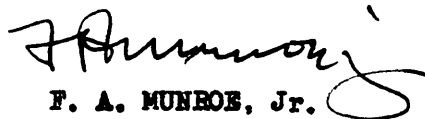
16 November 1948

From: Recorder, Line Selection Board
To: Captain R. W. BATES, USN
Naval War College
Newport, R. I.

Subj: Information for Selection Board

Ref: (a) Your ltr. NC3/P14/00/1733 of 10 Nov 1948.

1. Receipt of reference (a) this date is acknowledged.


F. A. MUNROE, Jr.
Captain, USN

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16 November 1948

From: Recorder, Line Selection Board
To: Captain R. W. BATES, USN
Naval War College
Newport, R. I.

Subj: Information for Selection Board

Ref: (a) Your ltr. N03/P14/00/1733 of 10 Nov 1948.

1. Receipt of reference (a) this date is acknowledged.

F. A. MURPHY, Jr.
Captain, USN

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REPORT OF BOARD OF MEDICAL SURVEY—FOLLOWING SHEET

NAVMED-MA (5/45)

PLACE U. S. Naval Hospital, Newport, R. I. DATE 22 December 1948
(Name of hospital, ship, or station where survey is held)
 NAME WATTS, Richard Keller NUMBER 9087 RANK OR RATE CAPTAIN USN
(In full, surname first) (File or service number)
 BIRTHPLACE Alameda, California BIRTH DATE 16 January 1892

SUMMARY OF CASE HISTORY (Continued)

to duty status.

The Board concurs to the above diagnosis and opinion and recommends that this officer be ordered to appear before a U. S. Naval Retiring Board.

This officer has held the following appointments:

Midshipman - 21 June 1911; Ensign - 5 June 1915; Lt. (jg) - 5 June 1918;
 Lt. - 1 July 1920; Lt. - 24 June 1945; Cdr - 30 June 1935; Capt - 1 July
 1941; Commander (T) - 30 April 1945; Reverted to rank of Captain 24 January
 1947.

The Board of Medical Survey is of the opinion that this officer's disability was incurred while in the rank of captain.

The Board of Medical Survey is of the opinion that this officer does not require further hospitalization at this time.

The Board of Medical Survey is of the opinion that this officer is unfit for any duty.

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Newport, Rhode Island

22 December 1948

From: Captain Richard Waller BATES, USN
To: Chief of the Bureau of Navy Personnel
Via: Medical Officer in Command
Subj: Retiring Board Proceedings.
Ref: (a) Recommendation of Report of Medical Survey
dated 22 December 1948.
(b) Orders, USN, Bureau Pers., & BUREAU Joint C.O.
WHS PS-5/00(091) of 29 April 1948.

1. In the event naval retiring Board proceedings be instituted for the consideration of my case, I do not waive my rights to appear before the Naval Retiring Board or to be there represented by counsel.

Richard Waller BATES

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22 December 1948

U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL
Newport, Rhode Island

To: The Chief of Naval Personnel

1. Forwarded.

L. E. HART
Captain (MC) USN
Adjutant in Command

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OFFICER'S LEAVE RECORD

NAVPERS-329 (NEW 10-46)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Enter each period of leave taken upon return or reporting for duty.
2. On 30 June each year enter credit for leave accrued during past fiscal year at rate of $2\frac{1}{2}$ days per month, not to exceed 30 days. Reduce credit as necessary in order that new balance available does not exceed 60 days. Unused credit cannot be carried forward except as noted below.
3. In the case of leave commenced and extending beyond the end of a fiscal year: Upon return or reporting for new duty, deduct leave taken from balance available at commencement of leave period, add leave credit accrued as of 30 June not to exceed 30 days. New balance available may not exceed 60 days.
4. This record to be transferred with officer upon change of duty; commanding officer authenticate entries prior to detachment of officer.

NAME (Last) **BATES** (First) **RICHARD** (Middle) **W.** RANK **COMO, USN(RET)** FILE No. **9027/1103**

~~Leave taken during period of absence from duty~~ days

LEAVE TAKEN			CREDITED		BALANCE AVAILABLE	SHIP OR STATION	SIGNATURE OF COMMANDING OFFICER
FROM—	TO—	DAYS	DATE	DAYS			
Credit brought forward			1AUG56	38		NavWarColNptRI	D.W. Houch, Pers Off
-----	-----	-----	30JUN57	22	60	NavWarColNptRI	D.W. Houch, Pers Off
26JUL57	10AUG57	16				NavWarColNptRI	D.W. Houch, Pers Off
			30JUN58	16	60	NavWarColNptRI	RS BELCHER, PERS OFF
			31JUL58	$2\frac{1}{2}$	$62\frac{1}{2}$	NavWarColNptRI	RS BELCHER PERS OFF
Relieved of active duty	-----		31JUL58		60	NavWarColNptRI	RS BELCHER PERS OFF
x			x			x	
	x			x		x	
	x			x		x	
	x			x		x	
	x			x		x	
	x			x		x	
	x			x		x	
	x			x		x	
1. Total days leave credited				$78\frac{1}{2}$			
2. Total days leave taken				16			
3. Balance				63			
4. Balance reduced to				60			
						Signature of Certifying Officer	
						R. S. BELCHER, CDR, USN, Assistant Secretary	
7/31/58 PAID \$ 2719.36 CASH SETTLEMENT FOR 60 DAYS UNUSED EARNED LEAVE DUE AT DATE OF RETIREMENT.						R.B. COMEAU, LCDR, SC USN A5239 OFFICER IN CHARGE	

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REPORT OF BOARD OF MEDICAL SURVEY
NAVJAG-M (REV. 5-45)

PLACE U. S. Naval Hospital, Newport, R. I. DATE 22 December 1948
(Name of hospital, ship, or station where survey is held)
FROM: Board of Medical Survey.
TO: Commanding Officer.

For transmission to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

NAME BATES, Richard Weller NO. 3027 RANK OR RATE AND CLASSIFICATION CAPTAIN USN
(In full, surname first) (File or service number)
BIRTHPLACE Alameda, California BIRTH DATE 16 January 1888
ENLISTED OR APPOINTED: Date 21 June 1911 REPORTED FOR ACTIVE DUTY, USN: Date 21 June 1911
Alameda, California Alameda, California
PERMANENT STATUS CAPTAIN USN DATE 1 July 1941
(Rank or Rate)
APPOINTMENT OR PROMOTION TO PRESENT RANK: Date 1 July 1941
TOTAL SERVICE: Navy 37 yrs. 6 mos. 1 da. Marine Corps ----- Army -----

ADMITTED FROM Naval War College, Newport, R. I. DATE 1 December 1948
DIAGNOSIS CARDIAC ARREST, HEART BLOCK (3027) KEY LTR. --- SPEC. LTR. ---
(From Navy nomenclature, under which carried on sick list)
ORIGIN: is not the result of his own misconduct and was incurred in line of duty.
(Is or is not) (Was or was not)
EXISTED PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT OR ENLISTMENT? No IF "YES," WAS CONDITION AGGRAVATED BY SERVICE? ---
(Yes or No) (Yes or No)
PATIENT INFORMED OF FINDINGS? Yes
(Yes or No)

SUMMARY OF CASE HISTORY: This fifty-six year old, CAPTAIN USN with 37 years, 6 months, and 10 days active service prior to current admission, was admitted to this hospital with the above diagnosis, because of the findings of elevated blood pressure, pitting edema of both legs, and abnormal electrocardiographic findings at the time of his Annual Physical Examination in November 1948.

According to this officer's accepted statements, he was first aware of electrocardiographic findings of left bundle branch block while on duty in the Philippine area in February 1946. For several months prior to that time, he states that he had noted a choking sensation in his throat, especially at night, and more frequently when he had been playing volley ball or similar games in the afternoon. He states that an electrocardiogram taken at this hospital in 1943, prior to going on duty outside of Continental United States, was reported to him as being normal. Frequent electrocardiograms have been taken at this hospital during the past two years, and all have shown the presence of left bundle branch block. He had been relatively asymptomatic until about six to eight months ago, when he first noted that he tired more readily than he had previously, and he also noted some dyspnea on exertion and slight pitting edema of both legs in the evening, especially after he had been on his feet a good bit during the day. These symptoms and findings have slowly, but definitely, become more marked the past several months, and he discontinued playing golf because of easy fatigue.

Physical examination on admission revealed an adult, white male of heavy, stocky build, and slightly obese. The heart was not enlarged to percussion; myocardial tone was good but distant, due to thick chest wall. No audible murmurs were present. The heart and pulse action were regular in force, rate, and rhythm and blood pressure was 150/90. The remainder of the physical examination was essentially negative. Laboratory studies including blood count and urinalysis were within normal limits and the blood count

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SUMMARY OF CASE HISTORY (Cont'd)

was negative. Blood sedimentation rate was 8 mm. in 30 minutes. A renal test showed good ability of the kidneys to dilute and concentrate. An electrocardiogram was interpreted as showing left bundle branch block. X-ray of the chest revealed the lung fields to be clear throughout and the heart shadow to be normal in size, position, and contour with no evidence of enlargement of the aorta. Repeated blood pressure examinations showed a range of 122/80 to 128/86. Fundoscopic examination was reported by the Ophthalmologist as revealing no significant changes. A cold pressor test produced a normal curve. Pitting edema of the lower extremities was still present the latter part of the day. During his hospitalization, this officer has complained on several occasions of a slight constricted feeling across the upper chest, especially following stair climbing. Further hospitalization is not indicated and would not restore this officer

NOTE: If additional space is required use NAVMED-Mc following sheet

PRESENT CONDITION	Unfit for service	PROBABLE FUTURE DURATION	Permanent
RECOMMENDATION:	That he be ordered to appear before a U.S. Naval Retiring Board.		

D. W. KIDBY	J. P. CHASE	J. MCCAULEY, JR.
CHIEF	CHIEF	CHIEF
U. S. NAVY	U. S. NAVY	U. S. NAVY
(Senior Member of Board)	(Member)	(Member)

FROM: Commanding Officer, U.S.N. Hospital, Newport, R.I.

DATE 23 DEC 1948

TO: Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

1. Forwarded.

(Signature) L. H. HUNT

ENDORSEMENT

FROM: Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

DATE 30 DEC 1948

TO: BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

1. Forwarded: Recommendation of Board Approved.

C. A. SWANSON
Chief of Bureau

C. R. BALL
By direction
(Signature)

ENDORSEMENT

FROM NAVY DEPARTMENT
TO BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

DATE 6 JAN 1949

Approved
T. L. SPRAGUE
THE CHIEF OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

(Signature)

NOTE: BuMed and BuPers or Mar Corps endorsements shall be entered on NAVMED-H-8 in the health record.

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In reply address not the signer of the letter, but Bureau of Naval Personnel, Navy Department, Washington 25, D. C.

Refer to No. Pers-325-dct
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NAVY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

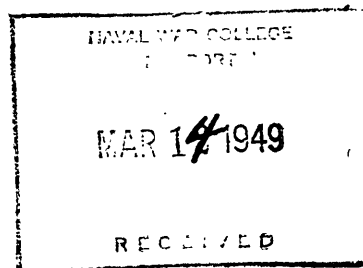
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

8 March 1949

From: Chief of Naval Personnel.

To : Captain Richard Waller Bates, USN.

Via: President,
Naval War College,
Newport, Rhode Island.



Subj: Retirement.

1. The Naval Retiring Board which recently convened in your case has decided that you are incapacitated for active service by reason of physical disability incurred in line of duty.
2. The Bureau of Naval Personnel has recommended to the Secretary Department that the report of the board be submitted to the ~~President~~ for his action in such time that, if approved, your retirement will be effected on 1 May 1949.
3. Please furnish the Disbursing Officer having custody of your pay record two certified copies of this letter.
4. It is probable that official notice of the ~~President's~~ action will not reach you until some time subsequent to the date stated in paragraph two hereof.

T. B. Dabney
T. B. Dabney,
By direction

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NC3/P16-3/00/P:z
Naval War College
Newport, R. I.

4th End on SecNav orders 01026 9027/1100
Pers-3110-GVB-2 dated 18 Jan 1949

30 April 1949

From: President, Naval War College
To: Captain Richard W. BATES, USN
Subj: Examination by Naval Retiring Board and Orders Relieving
You of All Active Duty

1. You will regard yourself detached from temporary limited duty at the Naval War College, and from such other duty as may have been assigned you, and released from all active duty at midnight, 30 April 1949. On 1 May 1949, you are placed on the retired list of the U. S. Navy in accordance with basic orders and BuPers letter Pers-325-dot 9027 dated 8 March 1949.

2. Government quarters were not available and none were occupied while on duty at this station.

3. As verified by your Officer's Leave Record (NavPers-329), your unused leave credit on 30 April 1949 is sixty (60) days.

4. You have stated that upon release from active duty your address will be:

Permanent: 727 Paru Street
Alameda, California

Temporary (until about 15 May 1949): 12 Mt. Vernon Street
Newport, Rhode Island.

5. Delivered with regret and best wishes for your future good health and happiness.

D. B. Beary
D. B. BEARY

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NC3/P16-3/00/CLM:z
Naval War College
Newport, R. I.
28 January 1949

3rd End on SecNav orders 01026 9027/1100
Pers-3110-GVB-2 dtd 18 Jan 1949

From: President, Naval War College
To: Captain Richard W. BATES, USN

Subj: Examination by Naval Retiring Board and Orders Relieving
You of all Active Duty; Modification of

1. Reported for temporary limited duty in accordance with modification of orders
number 2210, Pers-3110-LEN-2 dtd 25 Jan 1949.

C. L. Nelson

C. L. MELSON
Captain, USN
Secretary, Naval War College
By direction

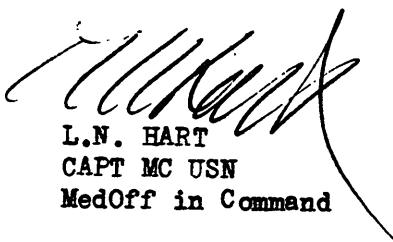
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End-1 to SecNav Orders Pers-3110-GVB-2
dated 18 January 1949
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U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL
Newport, Rhode Island
21 January 1949

To: CAPT Richard W. BATES, USN

1. Delivered. Discharged from treatment this date. Carry out basic orders.
2. Paragraph (2) of basic orders has been complied with.


L.N. HART
CAPT MC USN
MedOff in Command

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2nd Endorsement.

NAVAL RETIRING BOARD
Navy Department
Washington, D. C.

25 January 1949.


From: President, Naval Retiring Board.
To: Captain Richard W. BATES, USN.
Subject: Examination by Naval Retiring Board and orders
relieving you of all active duty.

1. Reported, examination completed and discharged from further attendance this date.
2. You were found not fit for duty by the Naval Retiring Board.
3. You will carry out the provisions of paragraph 5, and the remainder of your basic orders of 18 January 1949.


R. M. GRIFFIN,
Rear Admiral, USN.

Left: Newport, R. I. 0730 23 January 1949
Arr: Washington, D.C. 1130 23 January 1949
Travel performed via government boat and government air.

Left: Washington, D.C. 1000 27 January 1949
Arr: Newport, R.I. 2130 27 January 1949
Travel performed via commercial rail and bus at own expense.


R. W. BATES
Captain, U.S.N.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO

9027/1100
Pers-3110-LEN-2

25 January 1949

From: The Chief of Naval Personnel.
To: Captain Richard W. B A T E S, USN,
Washington, D.C.

Subject: Modification of orders.

1. Your orders of 18 January 1949 issued by the Secretary of the Navy are modified in that having been discharged from attendance before the Naval Retiring Board, Washington, D.C., you will proceed to Newport, R. I., and report to the President, Naval War College, for temporary limited duty until 30 April 1949.
2. When directed by the President, Naval War College, Newport, R.I., on 30 April 1949, you will regard yourself detached from temporary limited duty at the Naval War College, Newport, R.I., and from such other duty as may have been assigned you; will carry out the remainder of your orders of 18 January 1949.

CC:
Pres., NavWarCollege,
Newport, R.I.
ComONE.
ComNavBase, Newport, R.I.
BuMed (PQ Branch)
Veterans Admin. (Life Ins).
Field Branch, BuSandA (2).
Pres., NavRetBd., NavDept.,
Potomac Annex, Bldg. 22,
23rd & E Sts., N.W. Wash, D.C.

T. L. Sprague
T. L. SPRAGUE

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NO, NAV BASE, NPT RI
2/3/49 VO. NO. 3216
MILEAGE \$ 35.68
FROM Washington, D.C.
TO NEWPORT, R. I.
W. J. GRAY, LT. SC, USN

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NADO, NAV BASE, RI
DATE 2/3/49 VO NO 3216
SEONAV PAID MILEAGE \$ 35.68
FROM Wash. D.C. NAVY DEPARTMENT
AND REFER TO INITIALS
902771100 NEWPORT, R. I. WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

Pers-3110-GVB-2
18 January 1949.

JG, USN FOR AND
IN THE AUTHORIZED ABSENCE OF
W.J. GRAY, LT. SC, USN

US NADO NB NPT RI PAID
PER DIEM ON THESE ORDERS
1/23/49 \$7.00 ON BUW#3217
DTD 2/3/49.

M. J. GRAY
LT (SC) USN 51544

The Secretary of the Navy.
Captain Richard W. B A T E S, USN,
Naval Hospital,
Newport, R.I.

Medical Officer in Command.

Examination by Naval Retiring Board and orders
relieving you of all active duty.

(a) Art. 138 (2), U.S. Navy Regulations, 1920.

You are hereby detached from duty at the Naval War College,
Newport, R.I., and from such other duty as may have been assigned you;
you will continue treatment.

Prior to discharge from treatment, the Naval Hospital will explain,
as required by law, your rights under Public Law 346-78th Congress, so
that you may know what educational and other benefits you may pursue
and enjoy during your prospective retirement.

Upon discharge from treatment, and in accordance with the recom-
mendation of a board of medical survey before which you recently
appeared, you will proceed to Washington, D.C., and report at 0900
on 25 January 1949, to the President, Naval Retiring Board, Navy De-
partment, Potomac Annex, Building 22, 23rd and E Streets, N.W., for
examination for retirement.

4. In the event you are found fit for duty by the Naval Retiring
Board, you will regard the remainder of these orders as cancelled
and report to the Chief of Naval Personnel, Navy Department, for
temporary duty pending further assignment.

5. If found not fit for duty by the Naval Retiring Board, upon com-
pletion of the examination you will await orders pending action on the
proceedings of the Naval Retiring Board in your case. You will pro-
ceed to your home. Upon being placed on the retired list the period
between the date of discharge from attendance before the Naval Retiring
Board and the date of retirement will be charged against your accrued
leave, not to exceed the amount to which you are entitled as shown by
your officer's leave record.

6. The hospital at which you are now a patient will carry your re-
lease papers and pay accounts until action is taken on the pro-
ceedings of the Naval Retiring Board in your case, unless you are
admitted for further hospitalization at a different naval hospital
while awaiting orders. Upon discharge from attendance before the
Naval Retiring Board, furnish the Bureau of Naval Personnel one copy
and the disbursing officer carrying your pay accounts four copies of
these orders bearing all endorsements. Also report your mail address
(use enclosed form) and subsequent changes thereof to the Bureau of.

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Upon retirement to Civilian life I state that my home is San Francisco, (Alameda)
Calif. and that I have preformed all travel.

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R. W. BATES
9027/1100
Pers-3110-GVB-2
18 January 1949.

Subject: Examination by Naval Retiring Board and orders
relieving you of all active duty.

Naval Personnel (attention Pers-325), to the commandant of the naval district in which you reside and to the disbursing officer carrying your accounts. Comply also with Articles 134 and 135, Navy Regulations, 1920.

7. In order to be reimbursed for travel, you must complete all travel within one year from date of discharge from attendance before the Naval Retiring Board; or, if under treatment, within one year from date of discharge from treatment but not later than one year from date of retirement; or within one year after termination of the war, whichever is later.

8. In the event you are placed on the retired list of officers of the U.S. Navy, you will regard yourself relieved of all active duty as of the effective date of retirement.

9. As required by law, the Chief of Naval Personnel has determined that your release from active naval service is considered to be under honorable conditions and you are entitled to a Certificate of Satisfactory Service.

10. While awaiting orders you are authorized to engage in any occupation you desire, provided such occupation is not unauthorized by law for military personnel on active duty.

11. You are advised in the event you desire legal counsel to assist or represent you in presenting your case before the Naval Retiring Board, that competent legal assistance is available without expense to you. Should you desire to avail yourself of this service, you may apply to the Judge Advocate General, Navy Department, Washington, D.C.

By direction of the President:

Encl: (HW)

A. Certain provisions of law
affecting retired officers.

B. Mail address form.

CC: MOinC, NavHosp., Newport, R. I.,
for disbursing officer carrying accts.

Pres., NavWarCollege, Newport, R.I. Jacket copy

ComNavBase, Newport, R.I.

ComOne.

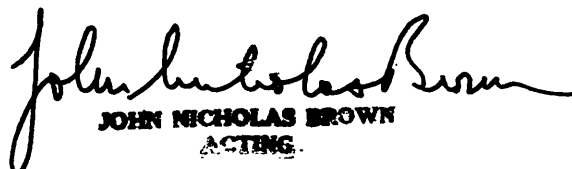
Veterans Admin. (Life Ins.).

Field Branch, BuSanda (2).

BuMed (PQ Branch).

Pres., NavRetBd., NavDept., PotomacAnnex, 3118-F

Bldg. 22, 23rd & E Sts., N.W., Wash., D.C.


JOHN NICHOLAS BROWN
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MILEAGE VOUCHER

Act of June 10, 1922, 42 Stat. 631

D. O. Voucher No. _____

Bu. Voucher No. _____

(Statement of travel performed must be completely filled in by payee prior to signature, and there must not be any erasure or alteration unless initialed or signed by him)

General Accounting Office
PREAUDIT
Certified for payment in the
sum of \$ _____
Comptroller General of
the United States.
By _____

U. S. _____ NAVY DEPARTMENT
(Department and service) 5/25/49
THE UNITED STATES, Dr.,
To _____ CAPT. RICHARD B. BATES
727 PAND ST. ALAMEDA, CALIF.
(Official station) or (Home address, to be used by reserve and retired officers only)

PAID
20 1949
R. E. PRENTICE
SYMBOL 540,427
(For use of _____)

Mail check to _____

For mileage under attached order, _____, 19____, received at _____

STATEMENT OF TRAVEL PERFORMED—To be filled in by traveler					COMPUTATION OF AMOUNT DUE—To be filled in by administrative officer			
19____ (1)	From— (2)	19____ (3)	To— (4)	Kind of transportation furnished (See note) (5)	Land grant included in established route and distance (6) Miles	Transportation furnished excluding land grant in column 6 (7) Miles	Authorized mileage (8) Miles	NOTATIONS
5/15	Newport, R.I.	5/16	San Francisco, Calif	None			3512	
Brought forward from statement on reverse hereof								
NOTE.— Transportation furnished by U. S. Government: Government transportation request; rail, water, air, or highway _____ T/R Government automobile _____ G/A Government boat _____ G/B Government plane or airship _____ G/P No transportation furnished by U. S. Government _____ NONE Indicate method of travel used by inserting after "None" one of the following letters: Highway (H); Air (A); Water (W); Rail (R); Privately owned conveyance (P). T/R No. _____ Carrier(s) _____ T/R No. _____ Carrier(s) _____ T/R No. _____ Carrier(s) _____					TOTALS— Rate per mile _____ Dollars 0.03 Amounts _____ Dollars 0.03 Deduct columns 6 and/or 7 _____ Other deduction (explain on reverse) _____ NET AMOUNT TO BE PAID 264.96			

R. B. BATES

CAPT

MEMORANDUM

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION—For completion by administrative office						
Appropriation, limitation or project symbol	Appropriation title	Limitation or project (amount)	Appropriation (amount)	Allotment symbol	Amount	Encumbrance liquidated
17-00015	TRIP-49 020 74110		\$264.96	77777	1,175,430	20 June 49 264.96

Paid by { Check No. _____, dated _____, 19____, for \$ _____ } on Treasurer of the United States
{ Cash, \$ _____, on _____, 19____ } in favor of payee named above.
(MEMORANDUM—Do not sign)

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(To be filled out in triplicate by transfer)

Travel was performed in obedience to above orders and at my own expense; no portion thereof being performed on Government conveyance or transportation request, EXCEPT AS NOTED BY ENDORSEMENTS.

[illegible]

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was necessary in the execution of these orders.

SIGNATURE

(Rank or title)

USN

NOTE:
Transportation furnished by U. S. Government:

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Government transportation request; rail, water, air, or highway...T/R
Government automobile . . . . . G/A
Government boat . . . . . G/B
Government plane or airship . . . . . G/P
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Government plane or ship	G71
No transportation furnished by U. S. Government	NONE

Indicate method of travel used by inserting after "NONE" one of the following letters:
Highway (H); Air (A); Water (W); Rail (R); Privately owned conveyance (P).

This original memorandum endorsement becomes a part of your original orders and shall be retained to be used as a part of any certified true copies.

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VOUCHER FOR PER DIEM AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT
OF EXPENSES INCIDENT TO OFFICIAL TRAVEL

D. O. Vou. No. _____
Bu. Vou. No. 3217

U. S. NAVY DEPARTMENT
(Department, bureau, or establishment)

THE UNITED STATES, DR.,

To Captain Richard W. Hayes
Address U.S. Naval War College
Newport, R. I.

J. W. VERIFIED BY
SYM# 540430
NRAC, BOSTON

PAID

W. J. GRAY
SYM# 54544 (paying office)

(Official duty station)

(Residence (For use of Postal Service only))

FOR PER DIEM in lieu of subsistence, mileage for privately owned motor vehicle, and/or REIMBURSEMENT of travel and other expenses paid by me in the discharge of official duty from 1/23/49 1948 to 1/23/49 1949, as itemized statement within, under authority No. 1730413 dated 1/23/49, 1949, copy of which is attached,* or has been previously furnished with Voucher No. _____, paid _____, 19____, by _____
(Name of disbursing officer)

AMOUNT CLAIMED

FOR—	DOLLARS	CENTS
Subsistence	7	00
Other		
Travel		
TOTAL	7	00

(Payee must not use this space)

Differences		
Amount verified; correct for		
(Signature or initials)		

2/1/49
Richard W. Hayes
Captain 9077/1100, USN

MEMORANDUM

7.00

SC, USN FOR AND
IN THE AUTHORIZED ABSENCE OF
W. J. GRAY, LT, SC, USN

The next previous voucher paid under the same travel authority was: D. O. Vou. No. _____, paid _____

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION (for completion by Administrative Office)

APPROPRIATION, LIMITATION, OR PROJECT SYMBOL	APPROPRIATION TITLE				LIMIT'N OR PROJ'T (Amount)	APPROPRIATION (Amount)
1730413	TRIP	620	74110			77.00
ALLOTMENT SYMBOL	AMOUNT	OBLIGATIONS LIQUIDATED	COST ACCOUNT		OBJECTIVE CLASSIFICATION	
			SYMBOL	AMOUNT	SYMBOL	AMOUNT

Paid by Check No. 71,587, dated 1/23/49, 1949, for \$ 7.00 {on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.

MEMORANDUM

*If there was no prior authority, state circumstances which rendered securing prior authority impracticable. If the ability to certify and authority to approve are combined in one person, one signature only is necessary; otherwise, the approving officer will sign in the blank space below "Approved for \$_____" and over his official title.

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**USE SINGLE SPACE IF
ITEMS ARE NUMEROUS**

- | DATE
19.... | CHARACTER OF EXPENDITURE
(To be itemized by the day and fully explained) | SUB-
VOU.
No. | AMOUNT CLAIMED | |
|--|--|---------------------|----------------|-------|
| | | | SUBSISTENCE† | OTHER |
| | FOR DINKA HILL IN AR. IN EXCEL. STATION. | | | |
| | LEFT: Newport, R. I. 0730 1/23/49 | | | |
| | ARR: Wash., D.C. 1230 1/23/49 | | | |
| | No leave or delay taken during above period. I was not hospitalized nor did I serve abroad a gov't request during this time. Inv'ts, given, were not available or accepted at Wash., D. C. I certify that travel from Newport, R. I. to Quantico Pt., R. I. was via gov't boat and from Quantico Pt. R.I. to Wash., D.C. via government air. | | | |
| | FOR DINKA 1/23/49 (1 day @ \$7.00) | | 7 00 | |
| | REMARKS: NONE | | | |
| TOTALS (to be carried forward to continuation sheet, if necessary) | | | | |

TOTALS (to be carried forward to continuation sheet, if necessary)

*If authority provides for travel to more than one point, time of arrival and departure from each should be stated in the body of the account in chronological order.

*If more than one rate of allowance is authorized, full statement of justification for each must be submitted.

†If more than one rate of allowance is authorized, full statement of application of each rate must be given in some convenient place on this voucher.

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TOTAL MILEAGE COMPUTATIONS (to be carried forward to continuation sheet, if necessary).

*Railroad, steamship, airplane, bus, motor vehicle. Abbreviate class of service or accommodations used—R, first class; I, intermediate; M, mixed; C, coach; P, pullman; accommodations: DR, drawing room; CP, compartment; BR, bedroom; SOS, single occupancy section; SEC, section; LB, lower berth; UP, upper berth; S, seat.
Motor vehicle: GA, Government automobile or motorcycle; PO, privately owned automobile or motorcycle.

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HOWARD B. SPRAGUE, M. D.
1180 BEACON STREET
BROOKLINE 46, MASSACHUSETTS

October 4, 1949

Rear Admiral Richard W. Bates, U. S. N.
Naval War College
Newport
Rhode Island

Dear Admiral Bates:

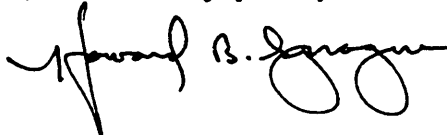
This will confirm my verbal report to you concerning my examination of you on September 27, 1949. Your chief complaint, at the present time, seems to be easy fatigue, on exertion, and a slight sense of pulling in the chest. There was some swelling of the ankles in hot weather.

Physical examination showed you to be in good general condition. Blood pressure in the left arm was 130/80, and in the right arm, 125/90. The heart sounds were of fair quality. There was no evidence of congestive failure. Examination of the fundi was negative. Electrocardiogram continued to show typical left bundle branch block, and one premature beat was recorded. Fluoroscopic examination showed your heart not more than borderline in size.

My instructions included advice to reduce to a weight of two hundred, if possible, and to have exercise in the form of massage, and golf played on easy courses.

While you have good cardiac reserve at the present time, it must be recognized that the electrocardiographic changes indicate some localized coronary artery disturbance, and you, therefore, cannot be expected to work under high pressure. I believe it would be reasonable to consider that you were not less than eighty-five per cent disabled.

Sincerely yours,



HBS/vr

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HOWARD B. SPRAGUE, M. D.
1180 BEACON STREET
BROOKLINE 46, MASSACHUSETTS

March 15, 1949

Captain Richard W. Bates, U.S.N.,
Naval War College,
Newport, Rhode Island.

Dear Captain Bates:

This will confirm our conversation of March fourteenth, following my examination of you.

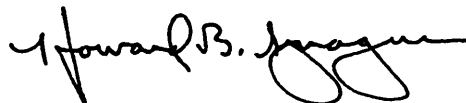
I think it is fair to say that you have mild coronary artery trouble with sufficient interference to the circulation of a small part of the heart muscle so that you have developed left bundle branch block. The only symptoms and signs of which you complain are rather easy fatigue, a sensation in the chest of "pulling", when under strain, and very mild edema of the ankles.

The heart was not enlarged to percussion, nor under the fluoroscope. The heart sounds were distant and there was a gallop rhythm. There were no cardiac murmurs. The lungs were clear, and there was very slight pitting edema of the ankles. Oscillographic readings showed good arterial pulsations in the legs. This record was made on the right calf. The blood pressure in the arms was 135 to 140 mm. systolic and 90 mm. diastolic. Electrocardiogram showed normal rhythm, rate 85, with left bundle branch block.

In view of the absence of cardiac enlargement, I believe that the finding of bundle branch block shows only a mild degree of arterial change in the coronary system. I consider that you are a very dynamic, tense individual who will have to learn to control the emotions, and to continue working at a job which you can essentially run at your own speed. I believe that it is important that you should take off another ten or fifteen pounds in weight. You should avoid all strenuous exertion, particularly after meals and should avoid heavy meals in general. Moderation should be the aim in your case, but I think that you can continue with mild exercise if you do not indulge directly after eating, or in extremes of weather.

I should be glad to see you again in six months, if you do not move to another part of the country.

Very sincerely yours,



HBS/M

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MILEAGE VOUCHER

Act of June 10, 1922, 42 Stat. 631

D. O. Voucher No. _____

Bu. Voucher No. **3834**

(Statement of travel performed must be completely filled in by payee prior to signature, and there must not be any erasure or alteration unless initialed or signed by him)

U. S. _____

NAVY DEPARTMENT

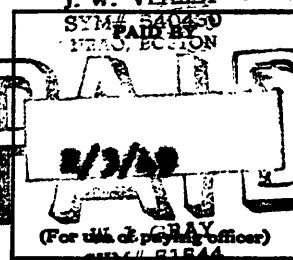
(Department and service)

THE UNITED STATES, Dr.,

To **Capt. Richard W. RAY, USN**
(Payee)

U.S. Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

(Official station) or (Home address, to be used by reserve and retired officers only)



Mail check to _____

For mileage under attached order, **1/24/49**, 19____, received at **Newport, R. I.**

STATEMENT OF TRAVEL PERFORMED—To be filled in by traveler

COMPUTATION OF AMOUNT DUE—To be filled in by administrative officer

DATE 19____ (1)	FROM (2)	DATE 19____ (3)	TO (4)	Kind of transportation furnished (See note) (5)	Land grant included in established route and distance (6)	Transportation furnished excluding land grant in column 6 (7)	Authorized mileage (8)	NOTATIONS
1/27	Wash., D. C.	1/27	Newport, R. I.	None (H)	Miles	Miles	Miles	
	OUT via 14-110 P138						446	
Brought forward from statement on reverse hereof							446	
NOTE.— Transportation furnished by U. S. Government: Government transportation request; rail, water, air, or highway _____ T/R Government automobile _____ G/A Government boat _____ G/B Government plane or airship _____ G/P No transportation furnished by U. S. Government _____ NONE Indicate method of travel used by inserting after "None" one of the following letters: Highway (H); Air (A); Water (W); Rail (R); Privately owned conveyance (P). T/R No. _____ Carrier(s) _____ T/R No. _____ Carrier(s) _____ T/R No. _____ Carrier(s) _____					TOTALS— Rate per mile _____ Dollars 0.03 Amounts _____ Dollars 0.03 Deduct columns 6 and/or 7 _____ Other deduction (explain on reverse) _____ NET AMOUNT TO BE PAID _____		446 35.68 35.68	

Richard W. RAY

Captain 9087/1100, USN

35.68

MEMORANDUM

DO NOT SIGN FOR ANY
IN THE AUTHORIZED ABSENCE OF
W. J. GRAY, LT. SC, USN

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION—For completion by administrative office

Appropriation, limitation or project symbol	Appropriation title	Limitation or project (amount)	Appropriation (amount)
1790513	NAVY 49 020 74110		335.68

Allotment symbol	Amount	Encumbrance liquidated	Cost account		Object of expenditure	
			Symbol	Amount	Symbol	Amount
72,326						

Paid by { Check No. _____, dated _____, 19____, for \$ **35.68** } on Treasurer of the United States
{ Cash, \$ _____, on _____, 19____ } in favor of payee named above.

(MEMORANDUM—Do not sign)

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CDR SEEFLINGER

RM 3070

LCDR DAMON



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THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON

9027

3 JUN 1949

From: Secretary of the Navy.

To: Rear Admiral Richard Waller Bates,
U. S. Navy, Retired,
727 Paru Street,
Alameda, California.

Subj: Action of Naval Retiring Board.

1. The Naval Retiring Board which convened in your case on 25 January 1949 at the Navy Department, Washington, D. C., found that you are permanently incapacitated for active service by reason of physical disability incurred as the result of an incident of the service while serving in time of war under a temporary appointment in the rank of Commodore.
2. The Secretary of the Navy on 25 April 1949 approved the proceedings and findings of the Naval Retiring Board.
3. Having been specially commended by the head of the executive department for your performance of duty in actual combat, you were on 1 May 1949 transferred to the retired list with the rank of Rear Admiral in accordance with the provisions of U. S. Code, Title 34, sections 417 and 410n, and with retired pay based on the rank of Commodore as provided for in Title 34, U. S. Code, section 350g(a). I have determined that you have served satisfactorily in the rank of Commodore.
4. During the time you have so faithfully and efficiently served, you have witnessed many advancements in the morale, strength and efficiency of the Navy; and you have the satisfaction of knowing that you have contributed materially to the accomplishment of these results. I regret your retirement from active service and take this occasion to extend to you my heartiest congratulations and appreciation for your long and distinguished service to our Nation. May I wish you continued success and many years of health and happiness.
5. Please furnish the Disbursing Officer having custody of your pay record four certified copies of this letter and acknowledge receipt to the Chief of Naval Personnel.

Francis P. Matthews

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NAVY DEPARTMENT
PHYSICAL DISABILITY APPEAL BOARD
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

6 February 1953

Dear Rafe:

In connection with your letter of 16 January 1953, I have had a study made of your medical and retirement record to 1949, the year of your retirement, and I have ascertained the basis for the assignment of 60% disability in your case as rated by the Physical Review Council in 1950.

The facts in your case, as shown in your medical record, indicate that you were examined by a Board of Medical Survey, dated 22 December 1948, which made the diagnosis "Cardiac Arrhythmia, Heart Block, #227". The Survey shows that this diagnosis was based upon an electrocardiogram interpretation showing "left bundle branch block," and it further states that "repeated blood pressure examinations showed a range of 132/90 to 138/96".

As of 25 January 1949, you were further examined by a Naval Retiring Board which found that you were "incapacitated for active service by reason of cardiac arrhythmia, heart block, and hypertension, arterial, (examination this date, blood pressure: systolic 196, diastolic 126);----".

The Physical Review Council advises that in 1950 you were assigned Veterans Administration code ratings as follows:

7101 - Hypertensive vascular disease	0%
7007 - rated under 7005	60%

Reference to the VA Schedule for Rating Disabilities (Red Book) shows that Code 7007 covers hypertensive heart disease as differentiated from hypertensive vascular disease. Code 7005 covers arteriosclerotic heart disease. It should be noted that code 7005 is based upon a condition "Following typical history of acute coronary occlusion or thrombosis, or with history of substantiated repeated anginal attacks ----", with a NOTE in fine print as follows: "Authentic myocardia insufficiency with arteriosclerosis may be substituted for occlusion."

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From the above, it would appear that the Physical Review Council did consider your arteriosclerotic condition as a factor in assigning you a rating under code 7005, since the record does not show that you suffered an occlusion.

I should emphasize that the law requires our boards to evaluate physical disability cases "as of the time of retirement" based upon evidence in the medical record as of that time.

Should you have any information that would indicate an omission or error in your case, you should, by all means, initiate an appeal.

I trust this will provide the information you want and with best wishes to you,

Sincerely,

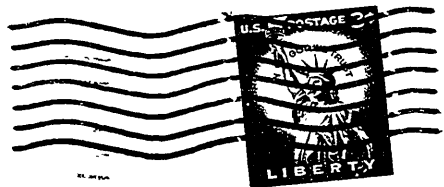
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H. S. Kendall

Commodore Richard W. Bates
Naval War College
Newport, Rhode Island

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AFTER 10 DAYS RETURN TO
THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO.



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WESTERN UNION
TELEGRAM

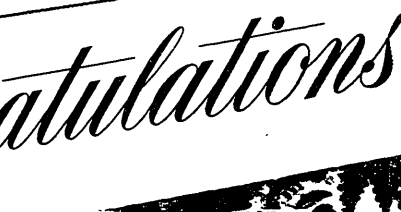


*On any Occasion
it's wise
to wire*

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Congratulations



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REAR ADMIRAL R W BATES CARE ADMIRAL R L CONOLLY

PRESIDENTS QTRS=LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY

C W POST COLLEGE ANNEX BROOKVILLE NY=

FROM YOUR CREW BACK AT THE OLD SALT MINE CONGRATULATIONS,

WE THINK ITS FINE ITS REALLY GREAT AND QUITE AN HONOR

TO BE THE FRIEND OF SUCH A SCHOLAR WE KNOW WITH ALL

YOU'LL MAKE A HIT AS ADMIRAL, DOCTOR BATES ~~AND~~ D. LITT=

THE BOYS IN THE BACK ROOM=.

MG

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B Y W E S T E R N U N I O N

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In reply address not the signer of this letter, but the Field Branch, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, Navy Department, Cleveland 14, Ohio, and

Refer to No. **XRC:A:15**
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NAVY DEPARTMENT
FIELD BRANCH
BUREAU OF SUPPLIES AND ACCOUNTS
CLEVELAND 14, OHIO

JUN 9 1950


From: Chief, Field Branch, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts
To: Commodore Richard W. BATES, USN
U. S. Navy Base
Newport, Rhode Island

Subj: Retired Pay Account

Ref: (a) Public Law 351 - 81st Congress approved 12 Oct 1949

Encl: (1) Public Law 351 election form (in quadruplicate)

1. Enclosure (1) is furnished for your use in making an election as to the method by which you wish your retired pay computed in the future.
2. You will note that Item 1, which covers your present rate of pay, has not been completed, inasmuch as you are on active duty at the present time.
3. You are reminded that you have been given until 1 October 1954 to make your election.


H. AVERY
By direction

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Pers-2354-WHM:LR

009087

17 May 1960

From: Chief of Naval Personnel
To: **Rear Admiral Richard Waller BATES, USN(Ret.), 009087**
Via: Chief, Field Branch
Bureau of Supplies and Accounts
Cleveland 14, Ohio

Subj: Election as to Retirement Pay Benefits under the Provisions of
the Career Compensation Act of 1949 (Public Law 351-81st Congress)

Ref: (a) Subject Law

Encl: (1) Excerpts from subject law: Sec. 402(d), Sec. 402(h) and Sec. 411
(2) Information Bulletin

1. In accordance with Section 411 of reference (a) and pursuant to regulations prescribed by the President of the United States, the Secretary of the Navy has determined your percentage of disability. This determination and other applicable factors of service credit are as follows:

Percentage of Disability	<u>SIXTY (60)</u>
Years of Active Service	<u>OVER THIRTY (30) YEARS</u>
Highest Rank satisfactorily held for retirement pay purposes	<u>COMMODORE</u>

2. Exact gross payment information applicable in accordance with reference (a) and the above factors will be endorsed hereon by the disbursing officer having custody of your retired pay record.

H. C. BARNET

By direction

List No. 1

(over)

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ENDORSEMENT

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1. Until one of the below methods is elected, or if neither is elected prior to 1 October 1954, your monthly gross retired pay of based on the monthly pay of \$110.45 as with over years active service for pay purposes multiplied by 75% will continue WITHOUT ANY FURTHER ACTION ON YOUR PART.

2. In accordance with reference (a) of basic letter you are entitled to receive retired pay computed, AT YOUR ELECTION, by one of the following methods:

METHOD A: Monthly basic pay of \$59.56 for COMMO with over 30 years service for basic pay purposes multiplied by 80 % (disability) which would amount to \$47.65 monthly gross retired pay. (Not to exceed 75%)

METHOD B: Monthly basic pay of \$59.56 for COMMO with over 30 years service for basic pay purposes multiplied by 75 % ($2\frac{1}{2}$ x years active service) which would amount to \$44.67 monthly gross retired pay. (Not to exceed 75%)

3. If METHOD A or B is elected indicate in the space below your election, sign and return in the enclosed postage free envelope three copies of this letter.

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By direction
Chief, Field Branch
Bureau of Supplies and Accounts
Cleveland 14, Ohio

14 September 1954
(Date)

From: **Commodore Richard W. Bates, USN**
To: Secretary of the Navy
Via: Chief, Field Branch

Subj: Election of pay under Public Law 351-81st Congress

1. I elect to receive retired pay in accordance with METHOD B under which I understand my gross pay will be \$44.67. (A or B)

2. I understand that this election, once made, is final and conclusive for all purposes.

(Signature)

Commodore (Rank or Rating) 9027 (File Number)

Naval War College

Newport, Rhode Island
(City) (State)

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PRINT OUT (MS) USE

MEDICAL HISTORY

11/11/68

Date

ECG CARDIOGRAM

General Hospital, Newport, R. I.

1968

File No. 7480

Rhythm: Sinus

0.20

Q.S. 0.16

Normal & notched. Left Bundle

Isolated

Inverted leads 1 & 2

CONCLUSIONS: Left Bundle Branch Block

[Signature]
D. S. [illegible]
MD (MS) [illegible]



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MEDICAL HISTORY

BATES

CAPT USN

9027

Richard Waller

(Surname)

(Christian name(s))

Born: Place Alameda, Calif.

Date 1-16-92

STATE NAME OF PLACE DATE EACH NEW ENTRY

U.S.N. HOSPITAL, NEWPORT, R.I.

PT DATE: 12-1-48

DIAGNOSIS: CARDIAC ARRYTHMIA, HEART
BLOCK #227

NOT DUE TO MISCONDUCT. DUE TO.

KEY LETTER:

CC: Slight substernal oppression, edema
both legs.

PI: This 56 yr. old, CAPT USN was admitted to this hospital for further study and disposition because of findings of elevated blood pressure, electrocardiographic findings of left bundle branch block and pitting edema of both legs. Blood Pressure at annual physical recorded at 146/106 and 144/102. He states he was first aware of electrocardiographic findings of Bundle Branch Block in the Philippines in Feb. 1946. Prior to that time he had noted a choking sensation in his throat at night especially after playing volley ball, etc. Electrocardiograph normal in 1943. He has had frequent electrocardiograms at this hospital during the past two yrs. and all had showed Left Bundle Branch Block. He has been relatively asymptomatic until about 6 or 8 mos. ago when he first noted that he tired more easily, had some dyspnea on exertion and pitting edema of both legs more marked after being on feet during the day. These had slowly but definitely become more pronounced since that time and several mos. ago he gave up golf because of easy fatigue.

PH: Malaria in 1916. Influenza in 1918

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MEDICAL HISTORY

STATE NAME OF PLACE DATE EACH NEW ENTRY

and 1940. Injuries - Dislocated arm in 1944. Head injury in 1945. Operations: Tonsils and adenoids in 1914. Appendectomy in 1926. Habits: alcohol - social; no tobacco; coffee and tea - occasional; no drugs; bowels regular. FH: Father and mother living and well. Four brothers living and well. PE: Adult, white male in no acute distress. Heavy build, slightly obese. Wt. 217 lbs., no gain or loss. Skin - warm and dry, slight scaling of lower part of legs. Lymphatic nodes - not palpable. Thyroid - normal. EENT - pupils equal; react equally to light and accommodation; defective vision O.S. 8/20 corrected 20/20. Nose - clear. Throat - normal. Chest - bilaterally symmetrical, expansion equal. Lungs - clear to percussion and auscultation. Heart - not enlarged to percussion, no palpable thrills, myocardial tone good, but distant - due to thick chest wall, no audible murmurs. A2 greater than P2. Regular in force, rate, and rhythm. Peripheral vessels readily compressible. B.P. 138/98. Abdomen - soft, non-tender. Liver, Kidneys, and Spleen not palpable. Healed right rectus scar. Genitalia - normal male. Herniae - none. Extremities - slight pitting edema of both legs. Otherwise normal. Neurological - reflexes - physiological. Mental - not indicated.

12-1-48: Indicated studies started including repeat electrocardiograph, chest x-ray, Roentgen Test, and eye ground studies.

X-RAY 11-15-48: Chest - The lung fields are clear throughout. The heart shadow is normal in size, position, and contour. There is no evidence of enlargement of the aorta. The approximate cardiac measurements are as follows. Wt 34.7.

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MEDICAL HISTORY

BATES

CAPT USN

9027

(Surname)

Richard Heller

(Christian name(s))

Born: Place - Alameda, Calif.

Date 1-16-92

STATE NAME OF PLACE . . . DATE EACH NEW ENTRY

U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL, NEWPORT, R. I.
Cont'd.

12-1-48, Ht 16.7, Aa 4.7. The transverse cardiac diameter measures 14.7 as compared with a prediastolic transverse diameter of 15.8. Recheck compared with examination of 4-5-48 shows no change in the appearance of the heart shadow or lung fields.

12-2-48: B.P. 134/92. Legs show practically no pitting edema this morning. Will examine in P.M. and recheck B.P. at same time. /s/ D. W. KIRBY

EYE CONSULTATION: Under a mydriatic (cocain and euphrasine) the retinas were examined - found to be clear. The fundi reveal no significant changes. There were no hemorrhages or exudates. The vessels were relatively normal. No a.v. notching was found. The nerve heads showed no papilledema. There was a slightly yellow line to the disc which I do not feel is significant. /s/ H.C. BULLINER

ELECTROCARDIOGRAM: Rate 84, Rhythm - Sine, P.R. 0.20, Q.S. 0.16, P Wave - normal, QRS Complexes - widened and notched. Left Bundle Branch Block. ST Segments - Isoelectric. T Waves - Inverted leads 1 & 2. Conclusion - Left Bundle Branch Block.

12-2-48: B.P. taken at 1630 is 132/90. Pitting edema of legs is more marked than this morning.

LAB. REPORTS:- Urine R&M: color - straw, Reaction - acid, Transparency - clear, Sp.Gr. - 1.025, Albumin and Sugar - neg., Leucocytes 2-3, Erythrocytes 4-6, Epithelium - some, Crystals -

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MEDICAL HISTORY

STATE NAME OF PLACE DATE EACH NEW ENTRY

few amorphous urates. Blood Ealm Negative. Blood Sedimentation Rate 5 mm. after 60 minutes. Blood Hgb. and WBC: WBC 6,000. Hgb. 12. Grams 60%.

12-5-48: No pitting edema this morning. B.P. 156/96. Rosenthal test started.

LAB REPORT: ROSENTHAL TEST:-

TIME SPECIMEN	AMOUNT	SP. GRAV.
10:00 A.M.	100 cc.	1.015
12:00 Noon	100 cc.	1.015
2:00 P.M.	115 cc.	1.014
4:00 P.M.	120 cc.	1.016
6:00 P.M.	110 cc.	1.020
8:00 P.M. to 8AM	780 cc.	1.012

12-5-48: Pt. comfortable. Pitting edema of legs present each evening.

12-8-48: Pt. states he has had slight constricted feeling across upper chest for a short period yesterday. Cold pressor test performed and results produced a normal curve.

12-16-48: Still shows some pre-tibial and pedal edema at latter part of day. States he has had several episodes of constriction across upper anterior chest associated with fairly marked dyspnea following stair climbing during the past week. B.P. 134/92.

12-20-48: Condition remains essentially unchanged. Survey being prepared.

12-22-48: Board of Medical Survey concurred on above findings this date and recommended that patient be ordered to appear before a U.S. Naval Retiring Board. Patient has been informed of the findings and does not desire to submit a statement in rebuttal.

1-10-49: Awaiting report of submitted survey.

(Continued page 6.)

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MEDICAL HISTORY

BATES CAPT USN 9027

Richard Weller

(Surname)

Born: Place Alameda, Calif. Date 1-16-92

(Christian name(s))

STATE NAME OF PLACE DATE EACH NEW ENTRY

U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL, NEWPORT, R.I.

(CONTINUED)

1-20-49: Health Record forwarded
to U.S. Naval Retiring Board this
date, in accordance with President
Naval Retiring Board Letter dated
18 January 1949.

D. W. KIRBY

COR MC USN

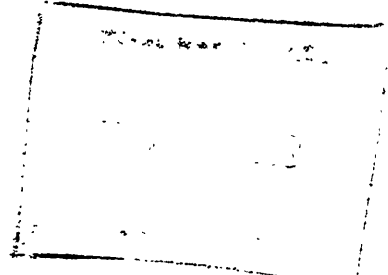
Chief of Medicine

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Comm Bates

9027/1103
Pers-B1131-cwt-2
29 April 1958

From: Chief of Naval Personnel
To: Commodore Richard W. BATES, USN, Retired
Naval War College
Newport, Rhode Island
Via: President, Naval War College
Subj: Modification of orders



1. Your orders of 31 May 1949 are further modified in that when directed by the President, Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island on 31 July 1958, you will regard yourself detached from all duties and will proceed to your home. You will regard yourself relieved of active duty effective at 2400 on date of detachment.
2. Prior to final detachment you will obtain a physical examination.
3. It is requested that you report your mail address in accordance with Art. B-2206 (5) and (6), Bureau of Naval Personnel Manual.
4. Cost of travel is chargeable to 1791453.18, MPN 1959, object class 029, expenditure account 74131, Bureau Control 22/31600.

Copy to:
PRES NAVWARCOL NPT
FOR DISBOFF CARRYING ACCTS
NAVFINCEN CLEVE (SPD) (2)
COMTWELVE
COMNAVB NPT
COMONE
OP 02E (2)

H. P. SMITH

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
Bureau of Naval Personnel
Washington 25, D.C.

9027/1100
Pers-B-AM-2
26 June 1950

AIR MAIL

From: Chief of Naval Personnel
To: Commodore Richard W. BATES, USN
Naval War College
Newport, R.I.
Via: President

Subj: Modification of orders

1. Your orders of 31 May 1949 are further modified in that you will report to the President, Naval War College, Newport, R.I., for temporary duty in connection with analyses of Naval engagements during World War II. This duty will continue for an indeterminate period.

2. Your active duty will be limited to that specified in paragraph one.

Copy to: F. W. MCMAHON
ComOne Deputy Chief of Naval Personnel
ComNavBase, NPT 27305

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29 June 1950

FIRST ENDORSIMENT on BuPers modification 27305 of 26 June 1950

From: President, Naval War College
To: COMO Richard W. BATES, USN

Subj: Modification of orders

1. Delivered.

T. R. COOLEY
Acting

Received at 1030 on 29 June 1950.

R. W. BATES
COMO, USN (Ret)

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY:

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NAVAL WAR COLLEGE
NEWPORT, R.I.

SGB:z
NC3/P16-3/00
Ser 18-50
29 Dec 1949

From: President, Naval War College
To: Commodore Richard W. BATES, USN (Retired)

Subj: Modification of orders

Ref: (a) BuPers disp 281723Z Dec 1949

1. Reference (a) is quoted herewith:

"FM: BUPERS PERS 311
TO: NAVWARGOL NPT
INFO: COMNAVBASE NPT/COMONE

COMO RICHARD W BATES RET 9027/1100 FURORDMOD 31 MAY DIRDET ON
30 JUNE 1950 INSTEAD DIRDET ON 30 DEC X CARBASORD".

2. Translation of the text of the above dispatch follows:

Commodore Richard W. Bates, Retired, 9027/1100, orders 20848 of
31 May 1949 are further modified; when directed by the President,
Naval War College, detached from temporary limited duty, and from
such other duty as may have been assigned, on 30 June 1950 instead
when directed detached on 30 December 1949. Carry out unexecuted
portion basic orders.

3. Certified to be original dispatch orders.
4. Delivered for compliance.

C. R. BROWN
Chief of Staff

Copy to:
BuPers

Orders received at 0930, 29 Dec 1949.

R. W. BATES
Como., USN (Ret.)

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY:

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NAVAL WAR COLLEGE
Newport, R.I.

SGB:z
NC3/P16-3/00
Ser 1979-49
27 Oct 1949

From: President, Naval War College
To: Commodore Richard W. Bates, USN (Retired)

Subj: Modification of orders

Ref: (a) BuPers disp 261801Z of Oct 1949

1. Reference (a) is quoted herewith:

"FM BUPLRS PERS 31156
TO NAVWARCOLLEGE NPT RI
INFO COMNAVBASE NPT RI/COMONE

COMO RICHARD W BATES RET 9027/1100 ORDINOD 31 MAY DIRDET
ON 30 DEC INSTEAD ON 1 NOV X REMAINDER BASIC ORDERS CONTINUE
IN EFFECT."

2. Translation of the text of the above dispatch follows:

Commodore Richard W. Bates, Retired, 9027/1100, orders 20348 of 31 May 1949 are hereby modified; when directed by the President, Naval War College, detached from temporary limited duty, and from such other duty as may have been assigned, on 30 December 1949 instead on 1 November 1949. Remainder basic orders continue in effect.

3. Certified to be original dispatch orders.

4. Delivered for compliance.

C. R. BROWN
Chief of Staff

Copy to:
BuPers

Received at 0900, 27 Oct 1949.

R. W. Bates
Como, USN, Retired

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY:

Como, USN, Retired

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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

9027/1100
Pers-31156-AM-2

31 May 1949

From: The Chief of Naval Personnel.
To: Commodore Richard W. B A T E S, USN, Retired,
727 Paru Street,
Alameda, Calif.

Subject: Recall to active duty.

Reference: (a) Section 412(a) Public Law 381, 80th Congress.

1. You are hereby recalled to active duty in time to proceed to San Francisco, Calif., and report on 1 July 1949 to the Commandant, Twelfth Naval District, for a physical examination to determine your fitness for active duty. A report of the physical examination will be forwarded to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

2. If found not physically qualified, you will immediately return to the above address and upon arrival consider yourself released from active duty.

3. If found physically qualified, you will further proceed to Newport, R.I., and report to the President, Naval War College, for temporary duty.

4. Upon completion of this temporary duty and when directed by the President, Naval War College, on 1 November 1949 you will regard yourself detached; will proceed to your home and upon arrival regard yourself relieved of all active duty.

5. In accordance with the provisions of reference (a), your recall to active duty for this assignment will be as a Commodore, USN, Retired.

J. W. ROPER
Deputy Chief of Naval Personnel

20848

CC: ComTwelve.
Pres., NavWarCollege,
Newport, R.I.
ComNavBase, Newport, R.I.
ComOne.
CNO (OP 29)

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DPTO, 12ND SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 1 July 1949
FURN TRANSP AS FOLLOWS: TR10,792,215 (AIR ONE) SAN FRAN., CALIF. TO
PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND VIA UAL(NY)EAL: EST COST AIR \$165.75

A.E. JACOBSON, CDR S USNR

1 July 1949

1st Endorsement

From: Commandant TWELFTH Naval District
To: Commodore Richard W. BATES, USN, Retired.
Subj: Recall to Active Duty.

1. Reported this date. Carry out basic orders. Mare Island Naval Hospital is hereby designated place for purpose of taking physical examination.

A. G. COOK, JR.
Chief of Staff

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NH15/CJH:ep

U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL, MARE ISLAND,
VALLEJO, CALIF.

1 July 1949

1. Reported and examined this date.
2. This recently physically retired officer is obviously not physically qualified for general duty. He is physically qualified for temporary limited duty of a sedentary nature only, for the short period indicated in the above orders.

C. J. HUTCHINSON, CAPT. MC USN
Senior Member Board of Medical
Examiners

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Naval War College
Newport, R. I.

3rd End on BuPers orders 20848
Pers-31156-AM-2 dtd
31 May 1949

6 July 1949

From: President, Naval War College
To: Commodore Richard W. Bates, USN, Retired
Subj: Recall to active duty

1. Reported. No government quarters are available for your occupancy at this station.

S. G. BARCHET
Captain, USN
Secretary, Naval War College
By direction

Left: Oakland, Calif. 2130 7/4/49
Arr: Newport, R.I. 2330 7/5/49
Travel performed via commercial air on T/R
to Providence, R.I., commercial bus at
own expense from Providence, R. I., to
Newport, R. I.

R. W. BATES
Commo., USN, Retired

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HOWARD B. SPRAGUE, M. D.
1180 BEACON STREET
BROOKLINE 46, MASSACHUSETTS

June 10, 1958

To whom it May Concern:

This is to certify that I have been familiar with the medical condition of Rear Admiral Richard W. Bates since March 14, 1949. He had been retired at that time because of the discovery of a significant electrocardiographic abnormality, Left Bundle Branch Block, and had had some edema of the legs. The diagnosis of some Coronary Artery Disease had been made.

I confirmed this diagnosis, including the electrocardiographic changes and found that he had a slightly enlarged heart. I have seen him at intervals during that time and he has occasionally shown a tendency to develop mild systolic or diastolic hypertension. The heart sounds have remained of rather poor quality and he has shown premature beats at intervals.

It was my opinion when I originally saw him that he had at least a Sixty Percent physical disability. The condition has not improved, but has remained essentially stationary, although when I examined him on April 9, 1958, he showed a slight systolic murmur and poor quality heart sounds. In my opinion, there has been no decrease in the physical disability in his case.

Howard B. Sprague, M.D.

HBS:gm

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HOWARD B. SPRAGUE, M.D.
1180 BEACON STREET
BROOKLINE 48, MASSACHUSETTS

June 30, 1960

Mr. Richard W. Bates
12 Mount Vernon Street
Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Bates:

Doctor Sprague had left for
Maine when your letter came in, so he
will miss the Clambake. I am sure he
would have enjoyed the prospect of
being with you.

About appointments: there will
be a few days in August when he will
be in for a few hours. How about

Thursday, August 11 at 2 P.M?

If I do not hear from you, will
expect to see you at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Gertrude Maguire
Secretary

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HOWARD B. SPRAGUE, M.D.
1180 BEACON STREET
BROOKLINE 46, MASSACHUSETTS

August 12, 1960

Radm. Richard W. Bates, USN (RET)
12 Mount Vernon Street
Newport, Rhode Island

Dear Admiral Bates:

This will confirm my verbal report to you of my examination of you on August 11th. At that time you told me about the question of prostatic trouble and my only recommendation in this direction is that you have the situation checked at regular intervals. Presumably, however, there is nothing wrong. There is also a localized scaling condition of the left side of your forehead which, over a long period of time, might possibly develop some malignant changes, although I saw no evidence for this at present.

You have no cardiovascular symptoms and are able to carry on your standard level of activity without discomfort.

I found your weight 225 pounds. The blood pressure was 150/90. The quality of the heart sounds remains the same and the decrease in intensity is related to the persistent bundle branch block. There was no abnormality in lungs, abdomen or peripheral vessels, and the pulsations in the leg vessels were of good quality. Under the fluoroscope, your heart was normal in size, with good pulsations; there is a small pericardial fat tab at the apex. Electrocardiogram showed normal rhythm, rate 65, with a PR interval of 0.24 second and left bundle branch block.

I have no further recommendations to make to you, since I think you have worked out a routine with the necessary safeguards.

Because of the development of the bundle branch block, at least by 1946, when you were 54 years old, it seems likely that this represents some localized scar tissue in that area of the conduction system, but I have never been able to find any sign of a diffuse degenerative process, or of coronary artery disease.

It is always a pleasure to see you.

Cordially yours,

Howard B. Sprague

HBS:

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